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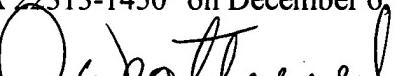
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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S) : LAVECCHIA, Felice & MELOTTI, Giorgio
SERIAL NO. : 10/052,714
FILED : 01/18/2002
FOR : A Security Device Particularly Suitable for Valuable Cases
GROUP ART UNIT : 2632
EXAMINER : LAI, Anne Viet Nga

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

SIR:

Applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of time for filing a response to the Office Action mailed June 7, 2004, for which a three-month response period ending September 7, 2004 was set. The extended deadline is December 7, 2004.

A check in the amount of Four-Hundred and Ninety Dollars (\$490.00) is enclosed herewith in payment of the fee for a three-month extension for a small entity. Small entity status has been previously claimed in the application.

A Response to Office Action and Amendment are enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due in connection with this communication, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 04-0838. A copy of this Request is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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